

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

March 27, 2005

Easter Sunday

10:45 A.M.

Thank you for being here today. We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God, and His Spirit inspires and directs. During our Gathering Time, we invite you to extend a warm welcome to each other and to our guests, as we celebrate the gift of Christian fellowship! May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshippers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices.

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*INVITATION TO SHARE IN WORSHIP

1 Cor. 15:1-4

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved ...

That Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

arr. Sikes

Having experienced the warmth of Christian fellowship, we now invite you to take this time to prepare your heart to encounter the living God in worship!

INTROIT

We Welcome Glad Easter
Sanctuary Choir

ST. DENIO

INVOCATION

Jeff Allen

*RESPONSIVE READING

Jeff Allen

“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he is risen!”

The Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed!**

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*HYMN NO. 159

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

CHILDREN'S TIME

MUSICAL OFFERING

Risen Indeed!

Martin

Ainesis

Our Lord is risen indeed! Sing, sing, sing an alleluia.
Our Lord is risen indeed! With an alleluia come and praise the Lord.
Come Christians, lift your song. Exalt Him; give Him all the honor;
Our Lord is risen indeed with an alleluia come and praise the Lord.
Our Lord is risen, risen indeed!

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

*HYMN NO. 161

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Ron Cauble

OFFERTORY

Christ the Lord is Risen Today! Alleluia!

arr. Smith

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SERMON

Why I Preach the Literal Resurrection of Christ
1 Corinthians 15:1-20

Pastor

MUSICAL CELEBRATION

Choruses from The Messiah
Sanctuary Choir

Handel

Since By Man Came Death

*Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.*

Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.
Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, forever and ever. Amen.*

Hallelujah!

*Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
The Kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ;
and He shall reign for ever and ever.
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and He shall reign for ever and ever.
Hallelujah!*

BENEDICTION

Pastor

POSTLUDE

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. Jordan

* Those who are able are asked to stand.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments
No afternoon or evening activities

Monday

10:00 a.m. Monday Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. *Grace Notes* Rehearsal

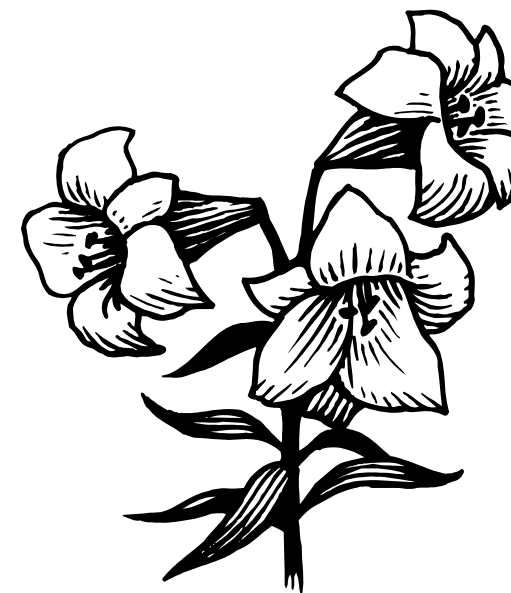
Wednesday

5:30 p.m. Media Center Open
5:30-6:30 Supper Line Open
6:00 *Cherub Choir, Sing for God, Psalm 8:2* Rehearsals
6:45 Prayer Meeting
Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Challengers, Acteens
Sanctuary Choir

7:30

Saturday

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study



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Pianist
Deacon of the Week

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Rev. Ramon E. Smith
Rev. Jeff Allen
Dr. Charles D. Edwards
William Foy Martin
John Newman
Sheila Hutcherson
Teresa Hill
Ron Cauble

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He is risen indeed!

EASTER SUNDAY